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1) Overview groupings until GA 2012

- **Marie-Hélène Ahnborg:** Baltic countries + Scandinavia: Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Lithuania, Estonia
- **Wulf Homeier:** German Speaking area: North Rhine Westphalia, Hessen, Rhineland Palatinate, Saxony, Austria, ARGEV (Switzerland), Belgium (German speaking community)
- **Helder Guerreiro:** Latin countries : France, Portugal, Spain, Malta, Trento, Belgium (French speaking community)
- **Graham H C Donaldson:** English speaking countries: UK (England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland) + Ireland + the Netherlands + Belgium (Dutch speaking community)
- **Petr Drábek:** Czech Republic, Slovak Republic, Bulgaria, Romania, Albania, Serbia

2) SICI - SIA

Workshops 2012

7 – 9 March 2012	Estonia	Internal and external evaluation
7 – 8 June 2012	London	Raising Standards through Inspection Innovation
13 – 14 September 2012	Portugal	Innovating inspections to value innovative schools
10 – 12 October 2012	Prague – GA	Facing 21th century challenges in education
21 – 23 November 2012	France	The evaluation of teachers

Programme workshops 2013

March 2013	Malta	Ensuring both Equity and Quality in Education: Alternative School Inspection and Evaluation Models
6 – 7 June 2013	Bratislava	Innovation in SICI
5 – 6 September 2013	Lower Saxony	Quality frame and evaluating quality processes' or ' Total Quality Management vs Evaluating school quality – a contradiction?'
9 – 11 October 2013	Scotland – GA	How leads inspection to improvement? What happens after the inspection? (External evaluation)
November 2013	Czech Republic?	

Future workshops

2014	The Netherlands	Communication with the different stakeholders of education
2014	Lithuania	The impact of Internal and External Evaluation on the Improvement of the Quality in Schools
2014	Saxony – GA	
2014	Azores	
2014 – 2015 ?	Estyn	Writing inspection reports

Themes

Potential themes for workshops 2013 – 2016, proposed by members and/or SICI Executive Committee:

1. Technical themes relating to the craft of inspection:

- Giving feedback to schools
- Recruitment and training of inspectors

- Report writing
- Evaluating teaching and learning (link to ICALT)
- Interview techniques
- Evaluating leadership

2. Themes around inspection outcomes and impact

- Evaluating the added value of inspection and ensuring its impact
- Exploring and sharing with others the 'unique selling point' of inspection
- Support for schools after inspections
- The contribution of inspection to improving school leadership
- Inspection and self-evaluation : relationships and influences (probably already treated well as a theme)
- Thematic reports and their potential impact
- Risk-based inspection contexts
- Data-analysis as a basis for inspection

3. Higher-level policy themes

- Exploring and evaluating technology and its applications in learning
- Exploring the relationships among teacher evaluation, student assessment and school evaluation (leading on from GA October 2012 and Workshop in Paris November 2012)
- Challenge and support : balance (if any) to be achieved through evaluation agencies

▪ Projects

- Romania
- Social Outcomes
- Peer reviews
- Lesson observation training
- SICI strategy on innovation and inspection

3) The SICI website

- 2011: Transfer to <http://www.sici-inspectorates.eu/>
- Elaborate new pages

4) The statutes

- **Agreement with the following changes in the statutes:**
 - *Working procedures and management bodies – Art. 8*
 - language
 - *Meeting of the General Assembly – Art. 9 §2*
 - timing of the GA
 - *Management – Art 13. §1,§3,§4d*
 - composition of the EC: a minimum of 5 members
 - period: three years
 - member EC two years after retirement
 - *Annual report, computation and accounting, funds committee – Art 16. §3*
 - timing of the GA

5) Financial overview and budget

1. Financial overview

- Healthy budget
- Sufficient budget to invest in a website and an Academy-page
- Emphasis on investing in sustainable initiatives = task for the EC: proposal 2013
- Budget for workshops:
 - 6000 € for each workshop, if needed.
 - When a member organizes a workshop, it will get back the membership fee of 3000€ + up to an extra of 3000€, based on a proposal → Decision EC
- Accepted proposals:
 - Bilateral and multilateral cooperation:
 - 6000 € - based on a proposal
 - Decision EC = based on criteria (to be developed)
 - Projects (social outcomes):
 - 6000 € - based on a proposal
 - Decision EC = based on criteria (to be developed)
 - Budget for GA
 - 8000 €
 - The bookkeeping (control) for 2011: external office

2. Budget proposal 2013

- Relation budget and real expenses
- Transfer administration and management fee
- Refunding Romania project
- Workshops, projects and GA
- Representation expenses
- Business gifts
- EC meetings
- SIA coordination

6) SICI members - overview

Members

Albania	Ireland
Austria	Lithuania
Belgium	Malta
- French Speaking Community	The Netherlands
- Dutch Speaking Community	Northern Ireland
- German Speaking Community	Norway
Bulgaria	Portugal
Czech Republic	Romania
Denmark	Scotland
Estonia	Serbia
England	Slovak Republic
France	Spain
Germany	Sweden
- Hessen	Switzerland
- Lower Saxony	Trentino
- North Rhine-Westphalia	Wales
- Rhineland Palatinate	
- Saxony	

Possible new members

Catalonia	Iceland
Finland	Sud-tirol
Berlin	Poland

7) Overview GA 2004 – 2012 – future overview

GA 2004 - 2012

- 2004: Sesimbra
- 2005: Rüdeshheim
- 2006: Flanders
- 2007: Stockholm
- 2008: Bucharest
- 2009: Dublin
- 2010: Bielefeld
- 2011: Amsterdam
- 2012: Prague

GA 2013

- Where? Scotland
- Theme?

GA 2014

- Where? Saxony
- Theme?

8) EC membership

- EC Elections
 - New members EC – elections
 - Vacancy – No nominations: EC will explore co-option
 - EC: new chair – presidency of SICI

NAME	NOMINATED	RE-ELECTED	RE-ELIGIBLE
Yvan Verbauwhede	Oct 2005	Oct 2012	Oct 2015
Gonnie van Amelsvoort	Oct 2008	Oct 2011	Oct 2014
Graham Donaldson	Oct 2008	Oct 2011	
Petr Drábek	Oct 2006	Oct 2011	Oct 2014
Helder Guerreiro	Oct 2011		Oct 2014
Wulf Homeier	Oct 2009	Oct 2012	Oct 2015
Marie-Hélène Ahnborg	Oct 2009	Oct 2012	Oct 2015
Gordana Capric	Oct 2012		Oct 2015
Vacancy			

9) Europe or the world?

See attachment 'EC_doc_20120306_SICI_Future

- Countries thinking about SICI membership are from now on allowed to attend SICI workshops for one year, provided that they pay a fee. At the end of that year, a decision has to be made whether that country is willing to become a SICI member or not.
- As a first step, we will invite non-European countries from which SICI members might learn and get access to their insights and experiences, to come to the yearly General Assembly.
- We can also make more use of the bilateral contacts outside Europe of the SICI members in order to learn from their knowledge.

10) EC-meetings 2013

Dates:

24 - 25 January 2013	Berlin
7 March 2013	Malta
5 June 2013	Bratislava
4 September 2013	Lower Saxony
9 October 2013	Scotland – GA